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Applicant:

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Examiner:

D. Rutledge

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RESPONSE

Dear Sir,

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REMARKS

The remarks below respond to the Office action mailed January 29, 2003. The Office action originally mailed June 21, 2001, was not received by Applicant. Applicants filed a "Petition Under MPEP 711.03(c)II to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment based on Failure to Receive Office Action," which petition was granted by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on July 9, 2002. As of February, 2002, Applicant had not yet received the Office action. Applicant phoned Technology Center 2800 Customer Service and the Office action was promptly reissued.

Applicants note that an Information Disclosure Statement was mailed July 19, 2002. It is requested that this IDS be considered by the Examiner.

Claims 1-30 are pending in the application and remain for consideration.

No new fee is believed to be due at this time. However, if any additional fee is due, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-1775 and notify us of the same.

Reconsideration and allowance of the claims, as amended, and in light of the following remarks, are respectfully requested.